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SUBJECT: ICELANDERS TELL NORWEGIANS THEY SEE NO CHANCE OF RENEWING
COD WAR FISHERY SETTLEMENT WITH UK

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1. MAIN SUBSTANTIVE POINT TO COME UP IN PRIME MINISTER NORDLI'S
OFFICIAL VISIT TO REYKJAVIK AUG 27-30, ACCORDING TO MFA OFFICE
DIRECTOR LANGAKER WHO TRAVELED WITH NORDLI PARTY, WAS ICELANDERS'
EXPOSITION TO NORWEGIANS INDICATING IT WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE FOR
THEM TO RENEW THE COD WAR FISHERY AGREEMENT WITH UK WHEN IT EXPIRES
IN DECEMBER. ICELANDERS APPARENTLY GAVE NO CLEAR GROUNDS FOR
WHY RENEWED ARRANGEMENT COULD NOT BE WORKED OUT EXCEPT
ITS ALLEGED DOMESTIC POLITICAL UNACCEPTABILITY. ICELANDERS SAID
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THEY EXPECTED UK WOULD WORK TO BRING EEC PRESSURE ON ICELAND

THROUGH USE OF EEC PROTOCOL NO. 6 TO 1972 AGREEMENT WITH ICELAND
TO ACHIEVE EXTENSION OF AGREEMENT.

2. OTHERWISE PRINCIPAL POLITICAL CONVERSATIONS INCLUDED BOTH
SIDES OUTLINING VIEWS ON NORTHERN DEVELOPMENTS, EFTA-EEC RELATIONS
AND EAST-WEST DISCUSSIONS. ICELANDERS SOUGHT TO FIND WAYS
TO INCREASE NORWEGIAN PURCHASES OF MUTTON AND FISH AND TO
EXPAND INDUSTRIAL COOPERATION. THERE ARE NO MAJOR BILATERAL
PROBLEMS BETWEEN THE COUNTRIES.
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